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| PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT<br>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114   |                                     |   |
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| Mail Stop RCE<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | Attorney Docket<br>Confirmation No. | GLAD-281<br>3423                              |
|   | First Named Inventor                | Y. Huang                                      |
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|   | Group Art Unit                      | 1641  |
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|   | Title                               | "METHOD OF DIAGNOSING<br>ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE" |

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. This Preliminary Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action, dated July 24, 2008 and the Advisory Action dated January 16, 2009. A Notice of Appeal was filed on December 16, 2008, making this paper due on February 16, 2009. *Applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time, making this paper due by April 16, 2009.* Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.